

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 72

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8—Relative to the Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway.

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This measure would designate the portion of Interstate Highway 10 located in California as the Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway. The measure would also request the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate signs showing this special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those signs.

WHEREAS, On December 7, 1941, just before 8 a.m. on a Sunday morning, the first wave of bombers began the attack on Pearl Harbor that led the United States into World War II. It was an unforgettable day for those who lived through it and one which called America forth to defend itself, and in so doing, inspired a generation of Americans to rise and lead the defense of freedom around the world; and

WHEREAS, On December 7th, 1941, 2,335 people were killed in action and 1,178 were wounded; and

WHEREAS, The majority of the Pacific Fleet that was damaged and sunk in the attack was at one time home ported in California, but was deployed to Pearl Harbor by President Franklin D. Roosevelt just prior to the war; and

WHEREAS, California is home to about 2000 brave and patriotic survivors and it is their desire to honor both those that lost their lives and those that went on to protect the United States; and

WHEREAS, It is important and fitting that we pay tribute to and commemorate the gallant men and women who defended our country in its darkest hour; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the Legislature hereby designates the portion of Interstate Highway 10 located in California from its starting point at State Highway Route 1 in the City of Santa Monica to its terminus at the Arizona state line at the Colorado River as the Pearl Harbor Memorial Highway; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate signs, consistent with the signage requirements for the state highway system, showing these special

designations, and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect those signs; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.